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In re application of)	Group Art: 1637
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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR QUANTITATION OF VIRAL LOAD USING MICROARRAYS

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 5, 2002, Applicant submits the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the following statement prior the Field of the Invention, "Related Application, This application is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/253,791 of Sandeep Gulati entitled "Method and Apparatus for Exponentially Convergent Therapy Effectiveness Monitoring Using DNA Microarray Based Viral Load Measurements" filed February 22, 1999" to read -- Related Application, This application is a Continuation[-in-Part] of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/253,791 of Sandeep Gulati entitled "Method and Apparatus for Exponentially Convergent Therapy Effectiveness Monitoring Using DNA Microarray Based Viral Load Measurements" filed February 22, 1999 --.